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In re Patent Application of:

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For: IMPROVED MICROBIAL PREPARATIONS

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST TO REOPEN PROSECUTION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. SECTION 41.50

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the Decision on Appeal by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences dated December 29, 2006 in which the Board affirmed certain rejections, vacated another, and entered a new ground of rejection of all appealed claims (41 and 76-153) under one or more of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102(b) and 103(a), and for obviousness-type double patenting.

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